

## **HERSETH SANDLIN TO HOST FARM BILL HEARING**

**Sioux Falls, SD**-Rep. Herseth Sandlin will host a hearing of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Agriculture next week focused on the drafting of the 2012 Farm Bill. This hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 18th, at 8:00 AM CDT in the Edith Mortenson Center Theater at Augustana College in Sioux Falls.

**This event is open to the public and members of the media.**

“Having been raised on my family’s fourth generation farm and ranch near Houghton, I know the importance of the Farm Bill to South Dakota’s agricultural producers and rural communities,” Rep. Herseth Sandlin said. “Congress passes a new Farm Bill every five years, and it’s critical that factors affecting South Dakota are heard and understood as this legislation is drafted. I’m pleased to be hosting this hearing of the committee, and I hope South Dakotans will join us.”

Rep. Herseth Sandlin will be joined by members of the Committee, including Chairman Collin Peterson. Chairman Peterson represents Minnesota’s 7th Congressional District, which borders South Dakota. The hearing will consist of two panels that feature an array of witnesses representing diverse agriculture interests.

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\*Media Information: At the hearing, members of the media should check in at the press table for media set-up information and to pick up press packets.

Rep. Herseth Sandlin encourages South Dakotans to provide Farm Bill feedback by visiting the Farm Bill section of her website by clicking [here](#) or calling her office toll-free at (866) 371-8747.

In addition, The Committee is accepting feedback from the public about the Farm Bill on its website: <http://agriculture.house.gov> - all comments received via the web form before June 14 will be included in the Committee's Farm Bill Field Hearing record.

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